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*Response to Non-Responsive Brief*

The brief and notice of appeal are non-responsive to the prior Office action because of the following reasons as stated by the Board of Appeals in Paper No. 35 mailed to applicant on 3/11/2003: No Appeal Brief fee has been paid and there is only one copy of the Appeal Brief. See 37 CFR § 1.192.

Since the response appears to be *bona fide*, but through an apparent oversight or inadvertence failed to provide a complete response, applicant is required to complete the response within a time limit of one month from the date of this letter or within the time remaining in the response period of the last Office action, whichever is the longer. NO EXTENSION OF THIS TIME LIMIT MAY BE GRANTED UNDER EITHER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) OR

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(b) BUT THE PERIOD FOR RESPONSE SET IN THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MAY  
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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier  
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